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SUBJ: US COOPERATION/ASSISTANCE IN SELECTIVE FOREIGN DRUG ABUSE ACTIVITIES

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- 1. THE EMBASSY DOES NOT, RPT NOT, RECOMMEND THAT THE USG PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO SWITZERLAND IN DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION ACTIVITIES.
- 2. SWITZERLAND'S DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION ACTIVITIES ARE CONDUCTED BY AND THROUGH A LARGE NUMBER OF DISPARATE ORGANIZATIONS. THE ORGANIZATIONS INCLUDE CANTONAL AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, HOSPITALS. AND VARIOUS PRIVATE GROUPS SEEKING TO ASSIST IN THE STRUGGLE AGAINST DRUG ABUSE. THE FEDERAL GOVT'S ROLE IN THIS ACTIVITY IS MINIMAL. USG ASSISTANCE TO ANY OF THESE ORGANIZATIONS WOULD UNDOUBTEDLY BENEFIT THAT PARTICULAR ORGANIZATION AND CREATE IN THAT ORGANIZATION A FEELING OF GOOD WILL TOWARD THE U.S. AND AN INCREASED WILLINGNESS TO COOPERATE WITH THE U.S. G. IN DRUG ABUSE PROGRAMS. HOWEVER, IT IS UNLIKELY THAT OTHER ORGANIZATIONS, WHICH DID NOT RECEIVE USG FUNDS, WOULD BE SO AFFECTED. MORE IMPORTANTLY, SUCH ASSISTANCE WOULD NOT BE LIKELY TO AFFECT THE ATTITUDE OF THE SWISS DRUG ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES, WHICH ARE SEPARATE FROM THE DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION ORGANIZATIONS. SINCE, AS REPORTED REF. B, THE UNCLASSIFIED

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EMBASSY'S NARCOTICS CONTROL ACTION PLAN IS PRIMARILY

DIRECTED AT MAINTAINING WHAT IS REGARDED AS THE MOST PRODUCTIVE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN SWITZERLAND AND THE UNITED STATES IN THE FIELD OF NARCOTICS CONTROL - THE ON-GOING COORDINATION AND COOPERATION WHICH EXISTS BETWEEN DEA'S PARIS OFFICE AND THE SWISS CENTRAL POLICE BUREAU IN THE AREA OF THE EXCHANGE OF TACTICAL POLICE INFORMATION, IT WOULD NOT APPEAR THAT US ASSISTANCE TO SWISS DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION ORGANIZATIONS WOULD CONTRIBUTE TO THAT GOAL.

3. IN ADDITION TO REASONS SET FORTH ABOVE IT MAY BE NOTED THAT SWITZERLAND IS A WEALTHY COUNTRY AND ITS DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION PROGRAMS DO NOT SUFFER FROM A LACK OF FUNDING. ODELL

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